

InMotion

Bicycle / Pedestrian Vision Newsletter

Governor Christine Todd Whitman • Commissioner James Weinstein

New Jersey awards \$11.3 million for bicyclist, pedestrian projects

\$6.6 million for bicyclists; \$4.7 million for pedestrians

Transportation Commissioner James Weinstein announced the award of \$11.3 million in grants for 99 local bicycle and pedestrian projects throughout the state on February 1. The funding is made possible through the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund's Local Aid program.

"Local projects like the ones funded through these grants help make New Jersey a better place to live, work and raise a family," said Governor Christie Whitman. "Taken together with our traditional projects like bridge repairs and highway paving, our transportation goals are truly comprehensive and innovative."

Commissioner Weinstein called funding through grants to communities one of the most important and effective functions of the Transportation Trust Fund. Forty towns received a total of almost \$6.6 million for bicyclists and fifty towns received \$4.7 million for pedestrians.

Demand continues to outweigh available funding for bicyclist/pedestrian projects for FY 2000. In response to last Spring's mailing, NJDOT's Division of Local Government Services (LGS) and Economic Development received 101 applications for bicycle projects worth almost \$20.5 million and 213 applications for pedestrian projects worth \$29.5 million.

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Enhancement grants total \$3.2 million for bicyclists and pedestrians

Commissioner James Weinstein announced the award of ten bicyclist/pedestrian projects to be funded out of the \$10.2 million FY 2000 Transportation Enhancements program.

The Transportation Enhancements Advisory Committee, chaired and staffed by NJDOT Local Government Services and Economic Development, offers input into the final selections.

The following organizations have representatives: the three Metropolitan Planning Organizations, the Office of State Planning, NJ Historic Preservation Office, NJ Division of Travel and Tourism, NJ Transit, NJ Department of Environmental Protection, NJ Redevelopment Authority, Preservation NJ, the NJ Commerce and Economic Growth Commission and the State Highway Planning Organization.

COUNTY	MUNICIPALITY	PROJECT	RECOMMENDATION
Atlantic	Hammonton Town	Train Station and Historic Downtown Business District Pedestrian Link	\$173,000
Burlington	Mount Holly Township	Creek Island Park Pedestrian/Bikeway	\$94,000
Cape May	Woodbine Borough Middle Township Upper Township	Seashore Lines Trail	\$500,000
Gloucester	Clayton Borough	Extension to the Clayton Bike Trail	\$150,000
Mercer	Princeton Township	Delaware & Raritan Canal State Park - East Side Multi-Purpose Trail	\$565,000
Mercer	Hightstown Borough	Hightstown Borough Greenways Project	\$250,000
Middlesex	Perth Amboy City	Perth Amboy Bike/Pedestrian Connector	\$500,000
Monmouth	Aberdeen Matawan Freehold	Henry Hudson Trail Southerly Extension/Freehold Branch	\$426,000
Somerset	Montgomery Township	School Link - Montgomery Pathways	\$60,000
Sussex	Various	Sussex Branch Trail	\$500,000
			\$3,218,000

Bikeway Projects

COUNTY	MUNICIPALITY	AMOUNT
Atlantic	Buena Vista Township	\$63,000
Atlantic	Estell Manor City	\$96,000
Atlantic	Pleasantville City	\$230,000
Bergen	Oradell Borough	\$70,000
Bergen	River Vale Township	\$50,000
Bergen	Midland Park Borough	\$120,000
Burlington	Burlington City*	\$158,000
Burlington	Westampton Township	\$46,000
Burlington	Moorestown Township	\$120,000
Camden	Lindenwold Borough	\$26,000
Camden	Clementon Borough	\$136,000
Camden	Merchantville Borough	\$118,000
Cape May	Woodbine Borough	\$233,000
Cumberland	Millville City	\$167,000
Cumberland	Commercial Township	\$365,000
Hunterdon	Readington Township	\$140,000
Mercer	Hamilton Township	\$32,000
Mercer	Princeton Township	\$125,000
Middlesex	Perth Amboy City	\$250,000
Monmouth	Keansburg Borough	\$250,000

* Delaware River Heritage Trail

COUNTY	MUNICIPALITY	AMOUNT
Morris	Boonton Town	\$416,000
Morris	Boonton Township	\$37,000
Morris	Randolph Township	\$286,000
Ocean	Manchester Township	\$109,000
Ocean	Lavallette Borough	\$12,500
Passaic	Clifton City	\$130,000
Passaic	Little Falls Township	\$150,000
Passaic	West Milford Township	\$450,000
Salem	Carneys Point Township	\$128,000
Salem	Pilesgrove Township	\$310,000
Somerset	Bedminster Township	\$355,000
Somerset	Bernards Township	\$96,000
Somerset	Bernards Township	\$97,000
Somerset	Hillsborough Township	\$150,000
Sussex	Byram Township	\$332,000
Union	Roselle Park Borough	\$150,000
Union	Fanwood Borough	\$100,000
Union	Fanwood Borough	\$200,000
Union	New Providence Borough	\$50,000
Warren	Belvidere Town	\$40,000
Warren	Oxford Township	\$100,000
Warren	Mansfield Township	\$ 94,000
		\$6,587,500

Pedestrian/School Safety Projects

COUNTY	MUNICIPALITY	AMOUNT
Atlantic	Pleasantville City	\$310,000
Bergen	Mahwah Township	\$75,000
Bergen	Dumont Borough	\$100,000
Bergen	Midland Park Borough	\$45,000
Bergen	Oakland Borough	\$45,000
Bergen	Oakland Borough	\$55,000
Bergen	Glen Rock Borough	\$45,000
Bergen	Allendale Borough	\$25,000
Bergen	Oradell Borough	\$40,000
Bergen	Moonachie Borough	\$100,000
Bergen	Leonia Borough	\$40,000
Bergen	Leonia Borough	\$10,000
Bergen	Ramsey Borough	\$60,000
Burlington	Mount Laurel Township	\$24,000
Camden	Audubon Borough	\$120,000
Camden	Somerdale Borough	\$36,000
Camden	Berlin Township	\$65,000
Camden	Cherry Hill Township	\$100,000
Camden	Haddon Heights Borough	\$27,000
Cape May	Middle Township	\$67,000
Essex	Newark City	\$600,000
Essex	Roseland Borough	\$54,000
Essex	Irvington Township	\$100,000
Essex	Irvington Township	\$300,000
Essex	West Caldwell Township	\$72,000
Essex	Maplewood Township	\$92,000
Gloucester	Washington Township	\$130,000
Hudson	Hoboken City	\$14,000
Hudson	Hoboken City	\$35,000

COUNTY	MUNICIPALITY	AMOUNT
Hunterdon	Readington Township	\$12,000
Mercer	West Windsor Township	\$75,000
Middlesex	Cranbury Township	\$72,000
Monmouth	Neptune City Borough	\$150,000
Monmouth	Brielle Borough	\$100,000
Morris	Chester Borough	\$40,000
Morris	Mount Arlington Borough	\$123,000
Morris	Boonton Town	\$40,000
Morris	Mount Olive Township	\$76,000
Ocean	Lakehurst Borough	\$85,000
Passaic	Bloomington Borough	\$130,000
Passaic	Prospect Park Borough	\$24,000
Passaic	Clifton City	\$30,000
Passaic	West Paterson Borough	\$50,000
Passaic	West Paterson Borough	\$50,000
Passaic	Little Falls Township	\$75,000
Salem	Alloway Township	\$15,000
Somerset	Far Hills Borough	\$35,000
Somerset	Bridgewater Township	\$36,000
Sussex	Byram Township	\$50,000
Union	Hillside Township	\$25,000
Union	New Providence Borough	\$75,000
Union	Westfield Town	\$200,000
Warren	Belvidere Town	\$86,000
Warren	Blairstown Township	\$100,000
Warren	Washington Borough	\$160,000
		\$4,700,000

Council recommends transit access, site standards

Transit access and residential site improvement standards were discussed at the December 1999 meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Council.

Mike Baier from the Department of Community Affairs provided information on the standards and Richard Kerr of NJ Transit spoke about his agency's policies and programs.

Recommendations were made to NJ Transit for installation of bike racks on selected routes. NJ Transit and NJDOT are pursuing the proposal. The Council also developed recommendations for residential site improvement standards and NJDOT has been in contact with DCA to revise the standards.

The Council is committed to helping the Department shape its continuing bicycle and pedestrian program activities. It examines issues and recommends actions to support bicycling initiatives.

Four counties tap FY 99 bike money

Four counties were awarded the balance of the \$10 million still available after awarding 39 towns \$7,861,800 for FY 1999. The recipients were Atlantic County, \$258,000, Tilton Road project in Galloway and Egg Harbor Townships; Cape May County, \$550,000, Lower Township, Route 9, Ferry Road project; Burlington County, \$475,000, Chatsworth Road (County Route 679), Washington and Bass River Townships; Hunterdon County, \$855,200, County Route 650, Raritan Township.

Pedestrian show is available

The Transportation Policy Institute under contract with NJDOT has produced a 15 minute presentation entitled "Creating More Walkable Communities" for local officials and citizen groups. It is available in PowerPoint, slide show, or overhead projector formats.

If you are interested in having the presentation shown in your community, or, if you are interested in being trained as a presenter, please contact Dianne Hitt of the NJDOT Bicycle/Pedestrian Advocate's office at (609) 530-8051.



High Point to Cape May Bike Touring Route


A 242 mile route has been identified for standardized roadway bicycle compatibility factors, current services, attractions and land patterns. The study will provide the basis for pamphlets and brochures, biking maps, and, possibly signing, to identify the route.



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Delaware River Heritage Trail: 25 miles

Each town along the Delaware River Heritage Trail has been presented with a route feasibility study. Burlington County officials have agreed to sponsor the trail as a Local Scoping/Local Lead project. Application for funds to scope the project and for actual construction will proceed upon receipt of a resolution from each governing body supporting construction of the preferred route through its community.

Visit www.state.nj.us/transportation/lgs/ for more information about Local Government Services.